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1 you can talk to them about what they are doing wrong,  
2 how you can improve it.

3 Q. Anything else?

4 A. That was pretty much it.

5 (Discussion off the record.)

6 Q. Is there any training program that is offered  
7 on these issues to the Youth Violence Strike Force  
8 officers when they first join the Youth Violence Strike  
9 Force?

10 A. My practice when I brought new officers into  
11 the unit was to put them into cars with established  
12 teams. Usually we rode in three-man cars. I would put  
13 a fourth man in the car -- a fourth person in the car  
14 whether it's male or female.

15 Q. Is it fair to say that Officer Brito, Horne  
16 and Brown were a team working together in a three-man  
17 car?

18 A. I don't know if Brito was with them  
19 consistently.

20 Q. Who was with them in the three-man cars most  
21 of the time if not Brito?

22 A. I'm not sure. I don't recall.

23 Q. But you do know Brito was with him for a  
24 significant part of the time; is that correct?

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1 A. Right. And the majority of the time we had  
2 three-man cars. I mean, there were two-man cars in the  
3 unit, but the majority of the time it was a three  
4 person car.

5 Q. Who was the senior or more experienced  
6 officer you put with Brown and Horne when they first  
7 joined the Youth Violence Strike Force?

8 A. I think they had an opportunity to work with  
9 every car in the Youth Violence Strike Force. My  
10 policy was to cycle them through the cars.

11 Q. So each of them individually went and worked  
12 with the other officers in their cars. In other words,  
13 they would be the fourth person in with three  
14 experienced officers?

15 A. Yes, or if someone was on vacation, they  
16 would be the third person in, but I think whether it  
17 was 30 days or 60 days, they cycled through every car  
18 in the unit.

19 Q. Who assigned officers to the specific cars?

20 A. Sergeant did.

21 Q. They had that authority?

22 A. Yes. Actually let me step back from that. A  
23 lot of times if officers sort of click together, we  
24 would let them work together. If there was conflict or

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1 they didn't like working together, we would let them  
2 work with who they wanted to work with. So it was  
3 pretty much a self-selection process.

4 Q. But the sergeants did have the authority  
5 to --

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Let me finish the question. The sergeants  
8 did have the discretion and authority to assign people  
9 to certain cars to work together; is that correct?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Did you have any authority over the sergeants  
12 to override their authority in that regard in terms of  
13 who rides in what cruiser?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. But you generally left it up to the sergeants  
16 to make those decisions?

17 A. Yes, unless I felt strongly about a  
18 particular car or there was an issue that I wanted to  
19 address.

20 Q. Did Bulman ever meet with Brown and Horne on  
21 the issues that you and he had discussed after that  
22 first meeting with Bulman?

23 A. Bulman was very conscientious and he was one  
24 of those people who -- I would say, yes, he did meet

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1 with them. I don't know specifically if that meeting  
2 was a formal meeting or if he rode around with them for  
3 a couple of hours in the car or he grabbed him in the  
4 lunchroom and sat them down and spoke to them, but I'm  
5 positive that meeting took place.

6 Q. Why are you so positive it took place?

7 A. Pretty much everything I asked of Sergeant  
8 Bulman he did.

9 Q. But he never reported back -- is it fair to  
10 say he never reported back to you that he didn't meet  
11 with them?

12 A. I'm sure he did.

13 Q. Do you have a specific memory?

14 A. It was probably part of the ongoing dialog  
15 between me and him regarding Brown and Horne.

16 Q. Do you have any specific memory of Bulman  
17 coming back to you after having -- strike that.

18 Do you have a specific memory of Bulman  
19 coming to you and reporting to you that he hadn't met  
20 with the plaintiffs, Brown and Horne, regarding the  
21 issues you and he first met about?

22 A. I don't.

23 Q. When is the next time --

24 A. If I could just clarify that. If he didn't

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1 report back to him, I would call him in and ask him to  
 2 report to me. So I'm sure it did take place. I just  
 3 don't recall the conversation. If I gave a supervisor  
 4 an assignment and said take care of this and that  
 5 supervisor didn't get back to me in a reasonable amount  
 6 of time, I would go to that supervisor and say did you  
 7 take care of this? What happened?

8 Q. But you don't have any memory of what  
 9 transpired with Bulman -- strike that.

10 But you don't have any memory of Bulman  
 11 coming back to you specifically and reporting what  
 12 transpired in any meeting he may have had with Brown  
 13 and Horne; is that right?

14 A. I do recall there was a level of frustration  
 15 with Sergeant Bulman and that frustration was a result  
 16 of his ongoing conversations with Brown and Jones.

17 Q. Brown and Horne you mean?

18 A. Brown and Horne. I'm sorry.

19 Q. But my question is -- and I think you already  
 20 answered it. I don't want to beat this to death. You  
 21 don't have any specific memory of Bulman coming back to  
 22 you and reporting having met with the plaintiffs Brown  
 23 and Horne after your first meeting with Mr. Bulman  
 24 regarding his concerns; is that right?

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1 A. That is right.

2 Q. When was the next time you spoke to Sergeant  
 3 Bulman about Brown and Horne and his concerns about  
 4 them after the first time?

5 A. I don't recall the specific time frame for  
 6 the next time I spoke to him specifically about Brown  
 7 and Horne but, once again, it was daily conversations  
 8 we would have evaluating the unit, personnel in the  
 9 unit. It was an on going --

10 Q. I know you said that before and I want to  
 11 bring you back to Brown and Horne. You understand that  
 12 Brown and Horne are the plaintiffs in this case, right?

13 A. Right.

14 Q. And they have sued Bulman, Davin and the City  
 15 of Boston. You understand that?

16 A. Right.

17 Q. I would like to focus on Brown and Horne and  
 18 conversations you had with Bulman about Brown and  
 19 Horne, not about the unit in general unless I ask you.

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. When is the next time you can remember -- if  
 22 you can't remember, it is fair to say so. I am not  
 23 asking you to guess. When is the next time you can  
 24 remember, if any, that you met with Bulman about Brown

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1 and Horne and the concerns Bulman had about them?

2 A. I don't recall.

3 Q. Can you remember any specifics of any other  
 4 meetings that you had with Bulman about Brown and Horne  
 5 and concerns he had about them other than what you have  
 6 already described?

7 A. I recall discussing with Eric an incident  
 8 involving a person -- a fugitive we were looking for  
 9 who shot and killed a woman in Atlanta and wounded  
 10 another person in Atlanta and eventually shot a  
 11 Brookline police officer. I don't recall the -- it may  
 12 have been Tate was the person we were interested in or  
 13 looking for, if I recall properly. Brown and Horne  
 14 supposedly had information coming from a source about  
 15 the location of Tate. It was an extremely high  
 16 priority for the Youth Violence Strike Force with the  
 17 City of Boston and the Brookline Police and for  
 18 everyone else to find this guy. Brown and Horne had  
 19 some information which supposedly they had an informant  
 20 or a concerned citizen who was providing them  
 21 information. The flavor of the conversation I had with  
 22 Eric was the fact that Brown and Horne wouldn't share  
 23 that information not only with Eric but with other  
 24 members of the unit. And we had a full court press on

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1 to arrest this guy and there was a high level of  
 2 frustration in the unit regarding that.

3 Q. When you say there was a high level of  
 4 frustration in the unit, how did that manifest itself?

5 A. I believe Sergeant Bulman came to me and said  
 6 Brown and Horne have some information regarding this  
 7 guy. They are being very secretive about what they are  
 8 sharing with us. There is more information, but they  
 9 won't tell us. It was extremely frustrating for him  
 10 and frustrating for the unit.

11 Q. Can you recall anything else that Bulman said  
 12 to you or you said to Bulman about this gentleman who  
 13 I believe you said his name was Tate?

14 A. I'm not sure if that is his name. I think it  
 15 was Tate, but I can't be positive about that.

16 Q. Can you tell me what you said to Bulman and  
 17 he said to you other than what you just testified to?

18 A. No, I don't recall too much more about that.

19 Q. What did Bulman say they weren't doing with  
 20 respect to this gentleman Tate assuming his name is  
 21 Tate for the moment?

22 A. One of the things we wanted to do was  
 23 interview that informant, bring their source forward.

24 Q. This is the source regarding Tate?

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. What happened?

3 A. I don't think that source ever came forward.

4 Then it became a question of credibility, was there a  
5 source, was there not a source. A lot of issues sort  
6 of arose.7 Q. How far into their tenure at the Youth  
8 Violence Strike Force did this incident occur, if you  
9 can recall?10 A. I would say within -- I left there in  
11 May of 2000. It was probably in March or April, I  
12 think is when this surfaced.

13 Q. Of 2000?

14 A. Yes. I believe he was captured in the first  
15 or second week of June. He wasn't captured actually.  
16 The house was surrounded and he committed suicide.17 Q. Was the house surround and did the suicide  
18 occur as a result in any way of the work of Horne and  
19 Brown?20 A. I was out of the unit at that time. I don't  
21 know how that information came.22 Q. So it could have been some work that resulted  
23 from the work of Brown and Horne, you just don't  
24 remember?

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1 MS. HARRIS: Objection.

2 A. It isn't that I don't remember. I wasn't  
3 involved in the investigation at that point.

4 Q. So you don't know one way or the other?

5 A. No.

6 Q. Any other specific instances you can remember  
7 about specific informants or suspects that Bulman  
8 discussed with you with respect to the job performance  
9 of Brown or Horne?

10 A. Specifics, no.

11 Q. Do you remember if Bulman gave you any  
12 specifics when he met with you in terms of specific  
13 suspects or informants?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Did you, yourself, ever meet with Horne and  
16 Brown over these issues that Bulman was bringing to  
17 your attention?18 A. I believe I would have probably talked to  
19 them. As far as calling a meeting, I don't know, but  
20 I'm sure I would have talked to them.21 Q. I don't want you to guess, sir. I want you  
22 to tell me if you can remember.

23 A. I don't recall.

24 Q. So you don't recall one way or the other

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1 whether you ever met with Brown and Horne yourself  
2 about these issues that Bulman was bringing to your  
3 attention; is that right?

4 A. Right.

5 Q. What would have been the procedure in that  
6 regard, if any, you would have followed with respect to  
7 doing anything about these concerns that Bulman was  
8 bringing to your attention about Brown and Horne?9 MS. HARRIS: I will object. You can  
10 answer.11 A. They were relatively new in the unit and I  
12 felt that given more time, they may understand the  
13 philosophy of the unit and how we operate. My concern  
14 was how much time do we give them.

15 Q. What was your concern in that regard?

16 A. If there was a serious issue relating to  
17 officer safety or not sharing intelligence information,  
18 that would be something that would be -- they would  
19 have to either change or they would have to be moved.20 Q. Did you have concerns with officer's safety  
21 as a result of having spoken to Bulman about Brown and  
22 Horne?23 A. Officer safety is one of the things I'm  
24 always concerned about and there are always issues

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1 relating to that, procedures, having support and back  
2 up from other officers, people knowing what's going on.  
3 There is always a concern of officer safety in just  
4 about every investigation that we do.5 Q. So is it fair to say that you had some  
6 significant concerns about officer safety as a result  
7 of the things Bulman was telling you about Brown and  
8 Horne?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Did you take any steps to try to move  
11 Officers Brown and Horne from the Youth Violence Strike  
12 Force when you were there?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Why not?

15 A. Once again, they were relatively new in the  
16 unit. I think they may have worked for me for eight or  
17 nine months. Once again, it's take a while to get up  
18 to speed as to how the unit operates, get into the flow  
19 of things and understand what is required of you as a  
20 member of the youth violence strike force. And I think  
21 there is a learning curve coming into the unit. They  
22 were relative new. They were feeling their way around.  
23 And I felt that if we could salvage them, we should  
24 attempt to.

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1 Q. Why? If officers were in danger, why would  
2 you attempt to salvage them?

3 A. I don't believe I said officers were in  
4 danger. I said there was an officer safety issue that  
5 I am always concerned about.

6 Q. If there was an officer safety issue you were  
7 concerned about, why would you be concerned about  
8 salvaging them and keeping them in the unit?

9 A. I think by working with them we could correct  
10 that.

11 Q. Did you see any correction taking place by  
12 the time you had left with respect to Brown and Horne?

13 A. I think there were still concerns being  
14 raised throughout by Sergeant Bulman about the work  
15 habits of Brown and Horne.

16 Q. So you hadn't seen any correction by the time  
17 you left?

18 A. There was improvement, but I don't think it  
19 was -- it was an issue I was going to have to deal with  
20 if I stayed there.

21 Q. What would you have done if you stayed there  
22 to deal with it?

23 A. I probably would have asked him where they  
24 wanted to go if I were to transfer them out.

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1 Q. Did you ever sit down and have that  
2 conversation with them?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Why not?

5 A. When I was there -- you asked me if I had  
6 stayed there, I would have had to deal with them if  
7 they didn't come around.

8 Q. Right.

9 A. Once again, when I was there, I was there  
10 with them for a short period of time. I felt they may  
11 understand what we're trying to accomplish in the Youth  
12 Violence Strike Force and the importance of sharing  
13 information -- sharing intelligence.

14 Q. On what basis did you -- what factual basis  
15 do you base your testimony that you felt that they may  
16 understand and come around and if you wanted to perhaps  
17 salvage them?

18 A. I think in any unit there is a learning curve  
19 when you go into the unit. You initially go in there  
20 and you have your ideas about the unit and how they  
21 operate. And I think once you're there for a period of  
22 time, you understand it's really not what your  
23 preconceived thoughts were about the unit. You sort of  
24 change and understand the flow of the unit and how it

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1 operates. I think you have to give people time to pick  
2 up on that.

3 Q. How much time?

4 A. I would say at least a year, a year and a  
5 half. And, of course, it goes back to the job maturity  
6 and the experience. You can have three years  
7 experience but not really grasp what the job is all  
8 about.

9 Q. I believe you said you had seen some  
10 improvement with them with respect to the concerns  
11 Bulman was bringing to your attention; is that right?

12 A. When you come into the unit at first, you  
13 have a lot of learning you have to do. And over a  
14 period of time you do understand some of the nuisances  
15 of the unit. And that would be the improvement that I  
16 would sort of say they started to understand what was  
17 required of them. Whether or not they complied with  
18 those requirements are a bit different. They can  
19 understand -- I can go to them or Eric can go to them  
20 and say you have to share information. You can't be a  
21 free agent out there. It's very important. And they  
22 can say, okay, I understand that, but whether or not  
23 they actually comply with that are a different thing.

24 Q. Did they start to comply with it?

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1 A. I believe they were beginning to come around,  
2 but then when the investigation into the person we were  
3 looking for of the Atlanta shooting, I realized at that  
4 point that they were really withholding vital  
5 information to the unit and it was important to have  
6 that addressed.

7 Q. So if I understand your testimony -- and  
8 please feel free to correct me -- is it fair to say,  
9 then, that your testimony is by the time you had left  
10 in May of 2000 the Youth Violence Strike Force, you had  
11 seen some improvement about the concerns Bulman had  
12 raised about sharing information and secretive and so  
13 forth with respect to Brown and Horne, but then this  
14 incident involving the gentleman who you believe is  
15 named Tate came up; is that right?

16 A. That came up prior to my leaving. Probably  
17 within six weeks of my leaving that came up.

18 Q. I understand that. But before that came up,  
19 is it my understanding of your testimony -- strike  
20 that.

21 Before that incident occurred with the  
22 gentleman I think you identified tentatively as Tate,  
23 you had seen some improvement and the plaintiffs were  
24 starting to come around with respect to their work in

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1 the typing and writes the intelligence report.  
 2 Q. So it could be either?  
 3 A. Yes.  
 4 Q. Now, is it the experienced officer that is  
 5 assigned to train the inexperienced officer on how to  
 6 use the Lotus database notes?  
 7 A. Yes. I think we had a one-week training  
 8 program where we brought in different people that we  
 9 worked with, different partners and we gave them an  
 10 overview -- an academic overview of the unit prior to  
 11 them going into that 30 or 60 day period. And it was  
 12 one week of instruction or just series of meeting that  
 13 took place at the Youth Violence Strike Force with  
 14 different representatives of the agencies we worked  
 15 with to come and give them an overview of whether it  
 16 was  
 17 a ten point coalition, the ATF, the DEA. They would  
 18 come in and give a presentation on what their agency  
 19 does and how they interact with us. And one of those  
 20 was Lotus notes from the tech. people would come in and  
 21 sit down and go over the different databases that we  
 22 use.  
 23 Q. And would show the new officers how to use  
 24 the database?

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1 A. Yes.  
 2 Q. How many terminals at the Youth Violence  
 3 Strike Force were there when you arrived for officers  
 4 to input information on that Lotus database?  
 5 A. I would maybe say a half dozen.  
 6 Q. So there was plenty there for people to use.  
 7 Is that a fair statement?  
 8 A. Yes.  
 9 Q. So Brown and Horne couldn't have the excuse  
 10 they couldn't get to the computer because it was always  
 11 being used. Is that a fair statement?  
 12 A. Yes.  
 13 Q. This one-week training, do you know which  
 14 agency or other bureau came and actually trained Brown  
 15 and Horne when they were there?  
 16 A. It was probably anywhere from 15 to 20  
 17 different speakers would come in for that block of  
 18 instruction.  
 19 Q. From different agencies?  
 20 A. Different agencies, community based agencies,  
 21 members of the gang unit. They would come in.  
 22 Different agencies that we worked with. Experienced  
 23 officers from the Youth Violence Strike Force would  
 24 come in and spend an hour just talking with them about

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1 what they do and the general flavor of how they  
 2 operate.  
 3 Q. Did anybody at the Youth Violence Strike  
 4 Force sit down with Brown and Horne when they first  
 5 came in and said this is what you're expected to do  
 6 with the Lotus database system we have?  
 7 A. Yes.  
 8 Q. Who would have done that?  
 9 A. We would have brought in probably John Daley.  
 10 I'm not positive, but someone from the intelligence  
 11 unit. I know this is our lifeline. This is bread and  
 12 butter, so to speak, the intelligence.  
 13 Q. Meaning the Lotus database?  
 14 A. The Lotus database, the FIO database, the  
 15 gang unit database. That is critical to the success of  
 16 the unit.  
 17 Q. When you say the FIO database, what is that?  
 18 A. Field interrogation database.  
 19 Q. Is that different from Lotus database?  
 20 A. Yes.  
 21 Q. How does that work?  
 22 A. You identify some people -- a person on the  
 23 street who is acting suspicious or he is a known felon  
 24 or a known gang member. You can either stop and talk

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1 to him, write down his data onto a -- it's a small  
 2 form. It gets entered into the computers. You can  
 3 track who is associated with who. So if you're stopped  
 4 with two other individuals and we pull up the two other  
 5 individual's names, we can reference it back to you to  
 6 determine who your associates are and the neighborhood  
 7 you hang out in, capture some of the conversation or  
 8 the reason for the stop.  
 9 Q. Is that a separate database from the Lotus?  
 10 A. Yes, it is.  
 11 Q. The FIO database, would that include  
 12 debriefing information?  
 13 A. No. Debriefing would largely go into either  
 14 Lotus notes or the individual -- if it's investigative,  
 15 it would go into his notes.  
 16 Q. Into whose notes?  
 17 A. The detective's notes.  
 18 Q. Who were the detectives again when Brown and  
 19 Horne were there?  
 20 A. Rob Fratalia, Fred Waggett, Susan Antonucci,  
 21 Billy Dunn.  
 22 Q. Billy Dunn, Robert Fratalia -- Susan who?  
 23 A. Antonucci-Sementelli.  
 24 Q. Who else?

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1 Q. And those are things that should be in the  
2 Lotus database notes or the FIO database or the other  
3 documents we have talked about; is that correct?

4 A. Not necessarily but if there is a question  
5 relating to the basis of knowledge on the intelligence  
6 report, the supervisor would go to the officer and ask  
7 him where did you get this? How reliable is it? A lot  
8 of the intelligence report is just raw information or  
9 street sources or it could be a confidential informant  
10 who is carded and has credibility. So those are the  
11 types of things supervisors and investigators were  
12 interested in knowing.

13 So there could be raw data which is just  
14 a rumor on the street that there is going to be a  
15 shoot-out between Intervale and Castle Gate. There  
16 could be a shoot-out between two gangs and it could be  
17 a rumor they heard from a 13 year old kid who has  
18 really no basis or knowledge or it could be from a  
19 confidential informant within those gangs who has  
20 worked with us in the past and said tonight at  
21 7 o'clock there is going to be a conflict. They are  
22 planning on doing something down on such and such a  
23 street. And if that is the case, we're going to look  
24 at that a lot more seriously than getting some

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1 scuttlebutt from a school kid who said he heard it at  
2 school from a friend of a friend who lives on one of  
3 those streets.

4 Q. So that's what you mean by the subtly's of  
5 information of informants?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. So is it your testimony --

8 A. That's a piece of it.

9 Q. What is the rest it?

10 A. Information that would generate questions out  
11 of an intelligence report that are left unsaid in the  
12 intelligence report that we're interested in and it  
13 would be pretty much -- I don't want to say case by  
14 case basis, but when you view the intelligence report,  
15 it is going to prompt you to have questions in your  
16 mind to go to the officer and say tell me more about  
17 the specifics of this report.

18 Q. When you say intelligence report, you're  
19 talking about a Lotus database report like Exhibit 26  
20 or Exhibit 10?

21 A. Yes.

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23 Q. Is there anything else about the subtly's of  
24 intelligence that the plaintiffs weren't provided other

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1 than what you just told me?

2 A. We encourage officers to write intelligence  
3 reports whenever intelligence comes in. It may or may  
4 not be done all the time. It may be discussed at a  
5 roll call. It may be discussed among the officers at a  
6 briefing where it's not actually put on to paper where  
7 it's discussed openly with the officers in the unit.

8 MR. ROACH: Let's take a break.  
9 (Lunch recess taken.)

10 BY MR. ROACH: I am going to mark by  
11 agreement of the parties even though I'm only marking  
12 the first page as confidential only unless otherwise  
13 provided under your rights in the protective order.  
14 This confidentiality would apply to all the pages of  
15 Exhibit 26.

16 Q. Is there anything else other than what you  
17 just discussed about the subtly's of intelligence  
18 issues that you had with Horne and Brown?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Did I understand you correctly to say that  
21 information that come in does not necessarily always  
22 have to be written down or put into the Lotus database  
23 or the FIO database or written down in any fashion, but  
24 it must be shared verbally?

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1 A. Correct.

2 Q. Is it your understanding that the main  
3 concern from Bulman was the plaintiffs were not sharing  
4 the information verbally?

5 A. Yes. They weren't sharing in detail. I  
6 think they were the two issues.

7 Q. Okay. When you say not in detail, is that in  
8 addition to not sharing things verbally?

9 A. Yes. It was almost like they would give bits  
10 and pieces but not give the full picture.

11 Q. So even when they were putting information  
12 into the Lotus database, for example, was it Bulman's  
13 concern that the plaintiffs, Horne and Brown, were not  
14 putting in sufficient information or all the  
15 information that one would normally be expected to put  
16 in?

17 A. Probably in some intelligence reports that  
18 was the case. In others, they were probably complete.

19 Q. When you say in some that was the case and  
20 others they were complete, can you give me a breakdown  
21 as to the percentage as to when they were complete and  
22 weren't complete?

23 A. I couldn't, no.

24 Q. Well, on what are you basing your statement



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1 A. Nothing that jumps out in my mind, no.  
 2 Q. What is the next thing that happened in this  
 3 regard?  
 4 A. I think as soon as we finished up talking --  
 5 I think the conversation may have lasted 15 minutes to  
 6 a half an hour -- I went down to see my boss and let  
 7 him know that a formal complaint was filed or I felt it  
 8 was a formal complaint and that we had to address it.  
 9 Q. When you say a formal complaint was filed,  
 10 was anything in writing?  
 11 A. No.  
 12 Q. Was there any procedure for any kind of  
 13 complaint of this nature?  
 14 A. I believe there is a written procedure in the  
 15 police department in the city hall that outlines the  
 16 proper way to handle it.  
 17 Q. Do you know what the rule number is?  
 18 A. I don't, no.  
 19 Q. Is it a Boston Police Department rule?  
 20 A. I believe it is, but it may be a city policy.  
 21 I'm not sure.  
 22 (Recess taken.)  
 23 BY MR. ROACH:  
 24 Q. What is the next thing that happened with

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1 respect to this issue? I believe you said you went and  
 2 spoke to your boss.  
 3 A. Yes. I think immediately after I concluded  
 4 with that group of officers I went down and spoke to my  
 5 deputy superintendent. At that time it was Tommy Dowd  
 6 who just arrived in the unit about two or three weeks  
 7 prior.  
 8 Q. What did you say to Dowd and what did he say  
 9 to you?  
 10 A. I said we have a problem that we have to  
 11 address. We discussed it. I went over as much as I  
 12 knew about it. I tried to give him an overview of what  
 13 transpired. And then at some point either while I was  
 14 in the room or the follow day, he must have kicked it  
 15 up to his bosses, and then a series of smaller meetings  
 16 were held.  
 17 Q. Who was his boss?  
 18 A. That would have been James Claiborne, I  
 19 believe, at the time.  
 20 Q. What did you say to Dowd and what did he say  
 21 to you in this meeting?  
 22 A. Basically what I told the deputy was that  
 23 there was an issue -- there was an allegation of racial  
 24 hostility within the unit and they wanted -- it wasn't

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1 something that was informal. I think I was approached  
 2 formally, and I told him I thought it should be handled  
 3 formally.  
 4 Q. What did he say?  
 5 A. He said fine.  
 6 Q. Anything else you may recall he said to you  
 7 or you said to him?  
 8 A. Like I said, he was relatively new in the  
 9 unit. Whether he was there six weeks, three or four  
 10 weeks -- I don't know, but he was there for about a  
 11 month. Maybe a little longer or a little less. He  
 12 wasn't familiar with the unit.  
 13 Q. What was his position again, deputy  
 14 superintendent?  
 15 A. Deputy superintendent. He was in charge of  
 16 special operations.  
 17 Q. And the Youth Violation Strike Force is under  
 18 that, right?  
 19 A. Yes.  
 20 Q. So he was your immediate supervisor?  
 21 A. Yes.  
 22 Q. Did you mention Horne or Brown in the meeting  
 23 with him?  
 24 A. I'm sure I did. I probably went over the

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1 initial strategy meeting on Dorchester High, what  
 2 transpired at that meeting. The comment that was made  
 3 by Bobby Fratalia, the fact it was viewed as being  
 4 insensitive and went over with him that I was  
 5 approached by a group of officers whether it was six or  
 6 eight officers that came in -- I'm not really sure of  
 7 the numbers and their position was that this was an  
 8 issue that had to be addressed.  
 9 Q. Have you told me everything you can recall  
 10 about what you said to Dowd and he said to you in this  
 11 meeting?  
 12 A. Yes.  
 13 Q. What's the next thing that happened?  
 14 A. I think within the following week or within  
 15 days of that meeting we sat down with -- I believe it  
 16 was some of the minority officers. Some of the people  
 17 I identified. Vance Mills I know was there. Gregg  
 18 Jones was there. I think Brown and Horne were there.  
 19 Q. Craig Jones?  
 20 A. Craig Jones. I think we sat down with  
 21 Superintendent Ann Marie Doherty. I believe she was  
 22 in charge of professional development.  
 23 Q. So when you say we, the officers you've  
 24 mentioned, yourself and who else?

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1 to you repeatedly have assigned Horne and Brown to such  
2 a dangerous individual that was arrested here?

3 A. It wouldn't be unusual, no.

4 Q. Why not given all the concerns he supposedly  
5 expressed to you?

6 A. I don't know.

7 Q. I would like to show you another document  
8 dated April 12, 2000. Tell me what that is, sir.

9 A. This is a letter from Captain Conway to  
10 Ron Brown congratulating him on outstanding police work  
11 on the morning of March 1st, 2000.

12 (Exhibit No. 37 marked for  
13 identification.)

14 Q. Looking at Exhibit 37, do recognize the  
15 handwriting of Captain Conway?

16 A. Yes, I do.

17 Q. That is his writing?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Are you familiar with this job that Ron Brown  
20 did in March of 2000?

21 A. I don't recall it specifically, but I did  
22 read the associated commendation that was given.

23 Q. That would be on exhibit --

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1 MR. ROACH: 34.

2 Q. Is that right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. I have another document, March 10, 1999. Do  
5 you recognize that?

6 A. It's a letter from the commissioner to  
7 Officer Ron Brown.

8 Q. For what?

9 A. Working on the recruitment efforts.

10 Q. What is that?

11 A. I'm assuming this is -- there was a big push  
12 for minority candidates to apply for the police  
13 department.

14 Q. Why do you assume that?

15 A. If I recall, they were concerned about the  
16 lack of minorities applying for a position in the  
17 Boston Police Department. They were trying to get a  
18 more diverse department.

19 Q. Was there a downturn in the number of  
20 minorities in the department at that time in terms of  
21 officers?

22 A. I really don't know. I do recall they were  
23 doing a lot of recruiting at schools and universities  
24 in the community.

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1 Q. And Ron Brown was part of that?

2 A. Apparently.

3 MR. ROACH: I would like to mark that  
4 as Exhibit 38.

5 (Exhibit No. 38 marked for  
6 identification.)

7 Q. Looking at the Exhibit 38, do you recognize  
8 Commissioner Evan's handwriting?

9 A. Yes, I do.

10 Q. Looking at Exhibits 12 and 13 starting with  
11 13 for Ron Brown. The second page in -- second, third  
12 and fourth pages in there is a recommendation for  
13 commendation of May 14, 2001. Do you see that?

14 MS. HARRIS: What was that?

15 MR. ROACH: It's a document dated  
16 May 14, 2001.

17 Q. This is a recommendation for commendation  
18 signed by Sergeant Eric Bulman with regard to Ron  
19 Brown, correct?

20 A. I think there were probably several officers  
21 and Ron Brown being one of them that were given  
22 commendations for this.

23 Q. And that was signed by Bulman, correct?

24 A. Yes.

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1 Q. And it says in here Bulman -- it says in here  
2 "Horne and Brown participated in operation deep  
3 impact?"

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And he singles out at the bottom of the page  
6 "Steven Horne and others who immediately and without  
7 hesitation pursued the suspect on foot," right?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. He talks over in the next page about Horne,  
10 Bailey and Scanlon involved in some teamwork to prevent  
11 the gentleman's escape, correct?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. At the bottom of the page, last paragraph,  
14 first sentence Bulman says "I commend all these  
15 officers for their actions in this incident. By  
16 working cohesively as a team, these officers were able  
17 to pull their expertise, et cetera." Did I read that  
18 correctly?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. Is that consistent with what Bulman was  
21 saying to you about Horne and Brown and the concerns he  
22 supposedly had?

23 A. It can be. These were individual situations  
24 or operations that took place that involved Horne and

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| <p style="text-align: right;">Page 254</p> <p>1 Brown where they did exceptional work. And it's<br/>2 tempered by the concerns Eric raised to me when I was a<br/>3 unit commander there.<br/>4 Q. Who is Captain Conway?<br/>5 A. Captain Conway was over for there a period of<br/>6 time just prior to my leaving, whether it was six to<br/>7 nine months.<br/>8 Q. Was he under your command or over you?<br/>9 A. He was above me.<br/>10 Q. How long was Captain Conway there when you<br/>11 were a lieutenant in the unit?<br/>12 A. I would say maybe nine months to a year.<br/>13 Q. Was this the same time Brown and Horne were<br/>14 there?<br/>15 A. Yes.<br/>16 Q. Did you ever bring any of your concerns<br/>17 Bulman brought to you about Horne and Brown up to<br/>18 Captain Conway?<br/>19 A. No. Captain Conway was in -- how the<br/>20 structure was in special operations you would have a<br/>21 deputy. Then a captain. Then you would have the units<br/>22 within special operations, the bomb squad, the dogs,<br/>23 the motorcycles.<br/>24 Q. So was Dowd your immediate supervisor and</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">Page 256</p> <p>1 Q. So he was commending Brown for coordination,<br/>2 communication and cooperation within an organization in<br/>3 apprehending Demetrius Wilson, correct?<br/>4 A. Correct.<br/>5 Q. Where would Conway have gotten that<br/>6 information about Brown participating in coordination,<br/>7 communication and cooperation internally with the Youth<br/>8 Violence Strike Force?<br/>9 A. I'm assuming that is coming from the<br/>10 commendation written by Sergeant Bulman.<br/>11 Q. So is it fair to say that Brown wasn't always<br/>12 somebody who was not being communicative with his<br/>13 fellow members of the unit; is that right?<br/>14 A. There is group commendations and individual<br/>15 commendations. And I believe he is referring to a<br/>16 group commendation. I don't mean to split hairs, but<br/>17 when Bulman is commending five or six people for an<br/>18 arrest that was made as a group, there are praising the<br/>19 efforts collectively as a group. And it is fair to say<br/>20 that in that group effort on that particular day<br/>21 coordination, communication and cooperation was very<br/>22 important in making that arrest.<br/>23 Q. Now, this actually was when Davin was there<br/>24 supervising Ron Brown, correct, January of 2001?</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Page 255</p> <p>1 Conway was above Dowd at the time?<br/>2 A. No. Conway was -- I guess you would call him<br/>3 my immediate supervisor and Dowd was above Conway.<br/>4 Q. Earlier we talked about how you brought<br/>5 concerns of the racial problems and racial tension to<br/>6 your immediate supervisor Dowd?<br/>7 A. Correct.<br/>8 Q. You didn't mention Conway. Why not?<br/>9 A. He was getting ready to retire. I think he<br/>10 was using up time.<br/>11 Q. Did he retire?<br/>12 A. Yes. I'm not sure if he retired before I<br/>13 left or shortly thereafter.<br/>14 Q. A few more pages in, January 26, 2000.<br/>15 A. Exhibit 13?<br/>16 Q. Yes. January 26, 2001 was a letter to<br/>17 Ron Brown. "Job well done by Captain Conway." Do you<br/>18 see that?<br/>19 A. I do.<br/>20 Q. It says in the first sentence "One of the<br/>21 major overlooked areas in policing is the coordination,<br/>22 communication and cooperation which occurred internally<br/>23 in an organization."<br/>24 A. Correct.</p>   | <p style="text-align: right;">Page 257</p> <p>1 A. Correct.<br/>2 Q. Not Bulman?<br/>3 A. I don't know unless I start referring back to<br/>4 some of these exhibits.<br/>5 Q. A few pages in, it's dated October 30, 2001.<br/>6 Do you see that? To Ronald Brown from Deputy<br/>7 Superintendent Ruiz, the Trooper George L. Hannah award<br/>8 for merit.<br/>9 A. That's correct.<br/>10 Q. What is that?<br/>11 A. That's a very prestigious award.<br/>12 Q. Ron Brown was awarded this in<br/>13 October of 2001, correct?<br/>14 A. Correct.<br/>15 Q. When you say prestigious, why do you say<br/>16 that?<br/>17 A. It's given out annually at the statehouse.<br/>18 Q. To whom and for what?<br/>19 A. I'm not really sure. It's for courageous<br/>20 actions. I'm not sure what he received that award for.<br/>21 Is that in here?<br/>22 Q. If I were to suggest to you that this award<br/>23 was given for his work on the Sean Taylor matter, would<br/>24 you agree with that?</p>   |

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